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For: GAS REPLACEMENT METHOD OF)	
FUEL CELL, FUEL CELL SYSTEM	:	
AND DEVICE FOR FUEL CELL)	
SYSTEM	:	March 9, 2010

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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the concurrently submitted Form PTO/SB/08a. Copies of the foreign patent documents are provided.

This Information Disclosure Statement is to make of record documents cited in the supplementary European Search Report issued in the corresponding European national stage on December 23, 2009. A copy of the Search Report is provided for the Examiner's convenience.

The concise explanation of relevance for the non-English document may be found, *inter alia*, in the attached English language abstract and/or in the European Search Report.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a written confirmation be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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